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#### AMENDMENT

Sir:

I would like to amend the above identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

1. Refer to section heading of BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION on page 1, please delete the entire paragraph, which was written as;

~~In order to insert papers into a ring binder, the knob(s) is to be pushed to have the openings of rings. And the knob(s) is to be pulled to close the rings after inserting the papers. The inventor has looked for a method to open and close the openings of the binder rings easily and automatically. The claimed invention has only one step to file the papers, which is just insert the papers on the binder rings, while the conventional ring binder mechanism requires two steps for open and close respectively.~~

and replace the paragraph with the following rewritten paragraph.

In the typical ring binder, the knob(s) is to be pushed to have space at each centers of rings in order to insert perforated papers and documents through the openings. And the knob(s) is to be pulled to close the rings after inserting the papers to secure filing. Representative examples of typical ring assemblies showing one or more these features are : U.S. Pat. No. 1,634,125; U.S. Pat No. 4,368,995; U.S. Pat. No. 6,270,279; and U.S. Pat. No. 6,511,244. An improved method has been studied for having easier open/close the ring openings, minimized actions to file and more secured stack of papers and documents. In order to accomplish these ideas, the self-closing bars located at the center of each ring posts, the retaining forces of metal